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: De Buyst et al.

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For

: A CONNECTOR FOR CONNECTING TWO ELECTRICAL POWER CABLES...

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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This Information Disclosure Statement is filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98. The items listed on Form PTO-1449, a copy of which is enclosed, may be deemed to be pertinent to the above-identified application and are made of record to assist the Patent and Trademark Office in its examination of this application. The Examiner is respectfully requested to fully consider the items and to independently ascertain their teaching.

1. [] For each of the following items listed on the enclosed copy of Form PTO-1449 that is not in the English language, an English language translation of that item or a portion thereof or a concise explanation of the relevance of that item is enclosed:

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- [] 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(1), within three months of the filing date of the above-identified application.
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an international application. [X] 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3), before the mailing date of a first Office action on the merits. 5. [] No fee is due under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) for this Information Disclosure Statement since it is being filed in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c), after the period specified in paragraph 4 above but before the mailing date of a final action or a Notice of Allowance (where there has been no prior final action), and is accompanied by one of the certifications pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e) set forth in paragraph 9 below. 6. [] A fee is due under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) for this Information Disclosure Statement since it is being filed in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c), after the period specified in paragraph 4 above but before the mailing date of a final action or a notice of allowance (where there has been no prior final action): []A check in the amount of \$200.00 is enclosed in payment of the fee. [] Charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 19-2825. Order No. _____. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED. 7. [] A fee is due under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i)(1) for this Information Disclosure Statement since it is being filed in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d), after the mailing date of a final action or a notice of allowance, whichever comes first, but before payment of the issue fee, and is accompanied by: a. one of the certifications pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e) set forth in paragraph 9 below; and b. the attached petition requesting consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement; and c. the fee due under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i)(1) which is paid as set forth in paragraph 10 below. 8. [] A fee is due under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i)(1) for this Information Disclosure Statement since it is being filed in compliance with: a. [] 37 C.F.R. §1.313(b)(3), after the issue fee has been paid and information cited in this Information Disclosure Statement may render at least one claim unpatentable and is accompanied by the attached Petition To Withdraw Application From Issue: b. [] 37 C.F.R. §1.313(b)(5), after the issue fee has been paid and information cited in this Information Disclosure Statement is to be considered in a Continuation application upon abandonment of the instant application and is accompanied by the attached Petition To Withdraw Application From Issue.

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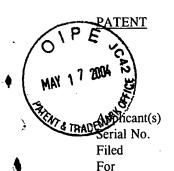


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